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SUBJECT:NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO

REF: CARACAS 2624

1. APPRECIATE EMBASSY APPROACH TO GOV ON PUERTO RICO
ISSUE.

2. AS OCCASION PRESENTS ITSELF EMBASSY SHOULD PURSUE
DIALOGUE ON PR ALONG THE GENERAL LINE THAT IT IS VERY
LIKELY THAT PR WILL ARISE DURING PREPARATION OF NON-
ALIGNED POSITION PAPERS. BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE WITH LIMA
LAST YEAR AND IN LIGHT OF GOV'S VIEWS EXPRESSED IN REFTTEL
IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF GOV WOULD MAKE THESE VIEWS KNOWN IF
REPEAT IF IT IS APPROACHED ON SUBJECT OF PR. EMBASSY MAY
WISH TO REVIEW ITS TELEGRAM 10311 (75) AND DEPTTEL 229493
(75) WHICH RELATES TO THE PR ITEM IN THE LIMA DECLARATION.
EMBASSY MAY WISH TO DRAW ON FOLLOWING SPECIFIC TALKING
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POINTS IN ADDITION TO STATE 49329 AND 49330:

(A) WE UNDERSTAND THAT COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED MEETING
AGENDA PAPERS ARE NOW BEING PREPARED BY THE NAG

COORDINATING COMMITTEE. WHILE VENEZUELA IS AN OBSERVER
RATHER THAN A FULL MEMBER OF NAG IT OBVIOUSLY WILL HAVE
AN INTEREST IN THE PAPERS AND THE POSITIONS WHICH ARE
PROPOSED AT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN ALGIERS IN
MAY AND LATER AT THE COLOMBO SUMMIT MEETING IN AUGUST.

(B) IF GOV IS APPROACHED ON THIS SUBJECT AS AN
OBSERVER IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR IT TO MAKE ITS OWN
VIEWS KNOWN AS UNMISTAKABLY AS POSSIBLE.

(C) USG WOULD NOT WANT TO SEE PR ITEM EMERGE IN UN
AND WE WOULD EXPECT VENEZUELAN SUPPORT FOR USG POSITION
THAT PR'S POLITICAL STATUS IS DOMESTIC MATTER.

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